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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed 15 October 2001, said period of response being extended from 15 December 2001 to 15 January 2002.

Our check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

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Respectfully submitted,

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